

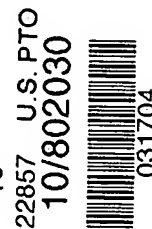


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Title: SEQUENCES UPSTREAM OF THE CARP GENE, VECTORS
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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application- 46 pages, including 1 independent claim and 20 claims total.
2. Drawings- 31 sheets of drawings (Figures 1-21, 22A, 22B, 23A, 23B, and 24-31).
3. Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821-1.825 supporting sequence listing (2 pages)
4. Sequence Listing, including a paper copy (12 pages) and a computer readable version.

This application is a continuation-in-part of prior Application No. 10/005,337, filed December 7, 2001. This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b).

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This application will be completed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f) upon receiving a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application.

Please accord this application an application number and filing date.

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